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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

GARY BRIGGS,

Defendant.

CASE NO. CASE: 1:20-CR-00041-JLT-SKO

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL OF
RECORD AND APPOINT CJA COUNSEL

Virna L. Santos, appointed counsel of record in the above-captioned case, hereby moves for an order allowing her to withdraw as counsel of record and for appointment of new counsel to represent defendant GARY BRIGGS. As grounds she states:

1. Virna L. Santos was appointed to represent defendant on February 7, 2022.
2. At the time of appointment the undersigned was a member of the Criminal Justice Act Panel for the Eastern District of California.
3. Attorney Santos has accepted a judicial appointment to the Fresno County Superior Court, and consequently, must close her private practice.
4. As defendant is still in need of counsel to represent him, the Federal Public Defender's office has contacted Mark A. Broughton, who is available and willing to accept the appointment.
5. Accordingly, the undersigned requests that she be permitted to withdraw from the case and that new counsel, Mark A. Broughton, be appointed.

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2 Dated: March 31, 2022

/s/ VIRNA L. SANTOS

3 Virna L. Santos
4 Counsel for GARY BRIGGS

5 **ORDER**

6 IT IS SO ORDERED that Virna L. Santos may withdraw from her representation of
7 GARY BRIGGS, and that CJA panel counsel Mark A. Broughton shall be appointed.

8 Dated: March 31, 2022

/s/ *Sheila K. Oberto*

9 HON. SHEILA K. OBERTO
10 United States Magistrate Judge
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